

THE VVFC NEWS ALERT BACKPAGE JUNE/JULY 2005

NEW VVFC VACCINES WHEN WILL THEY BE AVAILABLE?

DECAVAC (TD)

VVFC has been offering the tetanus and diphtheria (TD) vaccine manufactured by Aventis for years, but there has recently been a change! Not only has Aventis changed their name to sanofi pasteur (SP), but they have made their TD vaccine preservative free. Once VVFC stock of preservative containing TD has been depleted, we will begin shipping the preservative free TD, brand name DECAVAC, available in a box of ten single dose syringes.

Boostrix and Adacel (Tdap)

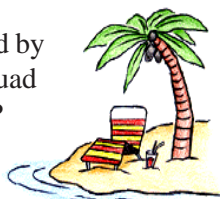
Boostrix, manufactured by GlaxoSmithKline, received FDA recommendation on May 3, 2005, for adolescents aged 10-18 years. Adacel, manufactured by sanofi pasteur, received FDA licensure on June 10, 2005, for adolescents and adults aged 11-64 years. Both products are awaiting recommendations from the AAP/ACIP.

ProQuad (MMRV)

There has been talk of a new vaccine by Merck which will contain both MMR and varicella vaccine (MMRV). Known now by its brand name, ProQuad, this new combination vaccine is waiting to be reviewed by the FDA. If it is licensed by the FDA, ProQuad needs to be recommended by the AAP/ACIP before VVFC will offer it.

ROTATEQ (Rotavirus)

ROTATEQ, manufactured by Merck, is awaiting both FDA licensure as well as AAP/ACIP recommendations for infants at ages 2, 4, and 6 months.



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- Enclosed are revised Vaccine Usage Guidelines for FQHC/RHC facilities and Public Hospitals. Please use these to update your VVFC Handbook.
- **Need dry ice?** To locate dry ice vendors in your area, go to www.dryiceinfo.com or www.partypop.com. Be sure to verify that the vendor has the dry ice in stock.

QUESTIONS? CALL THE VVFC OFFICE AT 1-800-568-1929

OR EMAIL US AT VVFC@VDH.VIRGINIA.GOV

INFLUENZA NEWS

If your facility submitted an order for 2005-06 Influenza vaccine, it will be shipped to your facility as vaccine is received from the manufacturer (estimated to be in October).



VVFC is still receiving late Influenza vaccine orders. Because we have already ordered our supply for the season, we cannot guarantee that orders received after April 5, 2005, will be filled. Any remaining supply will be reserved for new VVFC facilities who joined after April 5, 2005.

LAIV does not have to be kept in the freezer box this year. It can be stored the same way as Varicella vaccine.

Exceptional Immunization Rates



Bluefield Ped. Cardiology Associates, Bluefield
Blue Ridge Pediatric Assoc., Winchester
Children's Health Care Center - Nova, Manassas
Crestwood Pediatric Associates, Manassas
Crozet Family Medicine, Crozet
Family Care Center Pediatrics, Galax
Fall Hill Pediatrics, Fredericksburg
Huguenot Pediatrics, Midlothian
Lee-Davis Pediatrics, Mechanicsville
Monument Avenue Pediatrics, Richmond
Pediatric Associates of Manassas, Manassas
Pediatric Primary Care Clinic, Richmond
Practice of Dr. Hoang, Springfield
Practice of Dr. Jain, Wise
Practice of Dr. Piccio-Azercon, Alexandria
Practice of Dr. Vedha, Norton
Waynesboro Pediatrics, PLC, Waynesboro
(Immunization rates exceed 90% using CASA software)

Outstanding VVFC Compliance

Capital Area Pediatrics/Countryside, Sterling
Express Medical Care, Inc., Virginia Beach
Pediatric Assoc. of Charlottesville, Charlottesville
Pediatric Health Partners, Portsmouth
Practice of Dr. Dhru, Mechanicsville
Practice of Dr. De La Cruz, Portsmouth



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